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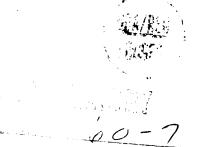
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Institute for National Strategic Studies

Honorable William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:



The University's President, Lieutenant General Richard D. Lawrence, asked that I convey his appreciation for the time you and your organization devoted to answering our request for 1985-1986 Student Research Topics. Six of your twenty-eight topics were selected by this year's students for their research: Spain and NATO; Gorbachev's Generation: Eastern Europe's Emerging Leaders; China's Navy-Prospects for Force Development; Role of Chinese Academy of Sciences; Africa-The Counterinsurgency Experience.; and South Africa-A Look at Black Politics. Eight students are working on these issues and research papers approved for release by the University will be provided

Research at the University is continuous, and it remains one of the NDU President's top priorities. In that regard I am writing to you and a number of other senior officials in the National Security Policy and Management community to learn what longer term research topics are of interest to your Agency. The topics you provide will be offered to our students in August when they make their selections for the new research cycle. Although their selection of topics is a matter of personal choice, we strongly encourage students to choose their research projects from current national security issues as suggested by the policymaking community. Student research accomplished by the incoming class of 1987 and approved for release by the University will be forwarded to you in June 1987. We would appreciate receiving your response(s) by 1 May 1986, if at all possible.

This University is committed to producing studies illuminating important National Security issues for senior policymakers. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 475-1192 or Autovon 335-1192.

We look forward to your cooperation and involvement in this process and welcome the possibility of face-to-face exchanges concerning topics of mutual interest.

Respectfully,

Enclosure.

John E. Endicott Colonel, USAF Acting Director

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(Please use a separate sheet for each topic.)

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